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GDR TRIAL OF WESTERN AGENTS

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(TEXT) IN THE TRIAL OF TWO AGENTS OF IMPERIALIST SECRET SERVICES BEFORE THE FIRST CRIMINAL SENATE OF THE GDR SUPREME COURT, CHIEF PUBLIC PROSECUTOR DR JOSEF STREIT ON TUESDAY MORNING ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES: 15 YEARS OF HARD LABOR FOR THE ACCUSED HERMAN HUETTENRAUCH, AND HARD LABOR FOR LIFE FOR THE ACCUSED HERBERT LATINSKY. IN HUETTENRAUCH'S CASE THE TIME SPENT IN PRELIMINARY DETENTION IS TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

ON ORDERS FROM IMPERIALIST SECRET SERVICES, THE DEFENDANTS COMMITTED GRAVE CRIMES AGAINST THE GDR AND OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AND ARE GUILTY WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INDICTMENT, THE CHIEF PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SAID. "IN VIEW OF THE EXTENT, THE GRAVITY, AND THE LONG PERIOD OF THE COMMISSION OF THEIR CRIMES, AND BECAUSE OF THE EXTREMELY LARGE DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE CRIMES, THE TWO DEFENDANTS MUST BE HEVERELY PUNISHED." STREIT CHARACTERIZED THE CRIMES OF THE ACCUSED AS A COMPONENT OF THE AGGRESSIVE POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE WEST GERMAN STATE AGAINST THE SOCIALIST CAMP, ESPECIALLY THE PEACEFUL GERMAN STATE, AND AS AN EXPRESSION OF THE ATTEMPTS MADE BY BIG FIRMS AND SECRET SERVICES IN PEACE-ENDANGERING COMPLICITY WITH ONE ANOTHER.

THE STATEMENTS OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC PROSECUTOR ARE BEING FOLLOWED ON THE SAME DAY BY THOSE OF DEFENSE COUNSEL. THE VERDICTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY.

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